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The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 816 (1993) of 31 March 1993, has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) regarding apparent violations of the ban on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 20 and 22 September 1993, there appear to have been six flights of fixed- or rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution 816 (1993) or approved by UNPROFOR in accordance with paragraph 2 of that resolution. Details as to the itinerary of flights in this reporting period are annexed to the present note verbale.

The total number of flights assessed as apparent violations is now 854.

Annex

Information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

(20-22 September 1993)

Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed, altitude
871	20 Sept.	0900	0912	United Nations military observers observed a G-4 Super Galeb fixed-wing, jet trainer-fighter taking off from Banja Luka. The aircraft flew for 12 minutes before returning to the base. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Serbs.	Various Fast Low
872	20 Sept.	1310	1311	United Nations military observers observed an MI-17 helicopter, registration number T9-HAG, landing 15 kilometres south of Tuzla at Visca Quarry. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Unknown Slow Low
873	20 Sept.	1705	1721	AWACs made radar contact with an aircraft 4 kilometres north-west of Gorni Vakuf. NATO fighters investigated and made radar and visual contact with a white helicopter. A few minutes later, all contact was lost 15 kilometres north of Gorni Vakuf. This flight occurred on the border between areas controlled by Bosnian Serbs and the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	North Unknown Low
874	21 Sept.	0756	1227	An approved medical evacuation of an MI-8 helicopter from Pal to Zvornik and return did not adhere to the scheduled ground time in Zvornik. United Nations military observers were restricted from reaching the landing site until the helicopter had already unloaded and departed for an unknown destination. It is believed that it then flew to Belgrade. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Serbs.	Various Slow Unknown
875	21 Sept.	1211	1212	United Nations military observers observed a white MI-8 helicopter flying 5 kilometres west of Fojnica, 24 kilometres south of Zenica. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	North-east Very slow 1,000 feet
878	21 Sept.	1745	1818	An approved medical evacuation of an MI-8 helicopter from Zenica to Tuzla and return did not adhere to laid-down guidelines. The flight originated from an unknown location at an unknown time. The helicopter did, however, arrive in Tuzla and flew back to Zenica. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Various Slow Unknown
				[22 Sept.: no violations reported]	